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1. Kecskemet Airfield was located approximately three kilometers southeast of the City of Kecskemet and was reached by the Kecskemet-Bekescsaba highway which touched the southwestern border of the field. A triple track railroad passed over the highway about three kilometers northwest of the airfield. To the best of my recollection the longest side of the landing field (NW-SE) was about 2,000 meters long and the other side (NNW-SSE) was about 1,800 meters long. The width (NW-SW) was 800 meters and (NE-SE) about 300 meters. The periphery of the landing field was concrete. The interior area of the field was covered with pressed sand of a brownish color.
2. [redacted] there were no anti-aircraft installations, no blast pens for the aircraft and no air raid shelters. Although power supplied by the City of Kecskemet was adequate for the needs of the airfield, there were no night landing aids such as runway lights or search lights. There were no night flying operations.
3. [redacted] the fuel supply seemed to be adequate for this airfield. The octane rating for gasoline used was 94 for YAK-9's, IL-10's and IL-2's; 87 for the YAK-11 and the ZLIN. When aircraft were not flying for long periods of time, 72 octane (non-ethyl) was used for ground run-ups. During summer MSZ type oil was used, MK type for spring and autumn, and MVSZ type for winter. During the cold months Kronpic was added to the cooling water of YAK-9's, YAK-9B's, IL-10's and IL-2's to prevent freezing. I believe that the chemical formula for Kronpic is K_2CO_3 0.7%. Aircraft were serviced by six fuel trucks, each with a capacity of 3,600 litres, and two oil trucks of 1,000 litres capacity each.
4. I believe that the airfield was operational all year. Prevailing winds were from a southeasterly direction. Although I cannot ascertain the exact speed of the winds, I think that it was between 30 and 40 km per hour.
5. The following points refer to sketch, Enclosure (A):

#1..... Runway, constructed of concrete blocks, about 1,700 meters long and 50 meters wide.
#2..... Concrete covered taxi strip.
#3..... Underground fuel storage installation.
#4..... Oil aircraft dumping area.

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- #5..... Hangar destroyed during last war.
- #6,6a,6b. Three garage buildings, dimensions unknown.
- #7..... Storage building for cleaning fluids, of wooden construction; 60 meters long and 5 meters wide.
- #8..... Concrete covered area used for washing vehicles, dimensions were 40 meters by 40 meters.
- #9..... Building bombed out during last war.
- #10..... Concrete taxi strip, 35 meters long and 5 meters wide.
- #11..... Concrete aprons, about 40 meters long and 10 meters wide.
- #12,13,14 Three hangar buildings, 40 meters long, 30 meters wide and about 13 meters high. They were constructed of concrete with corrugated metal roofs.
- #15..... Newly constructed brick control tower.
- #15a,15b. Two-story office buildings, constructed of brick, red tile roofs and walls covered with camouflage paint. Telegraph and teletype installations were located here.
- #16,16a, 16b..... Concrete covered driveways, about 30 meters long and 2 meters wide.
- #17..... Single story, brick bathhouse, about 20 meters by 20 meters. Red tile roof and walls covered with camouflage paint.
- #18..... Concrete covered circular area, about 10 meters in diameter.
- #19..... Two-story brick building, 40 meters and 20 meters long and 10 meters wide. Red tile roof, walls covered with camouflage paint. This building was used for offices.
- #20,21,22 Three-story, brick barracks, 70 meters long, 40 meters wide and covered with camouflage paint.
- #23..... Bachelor officer's quarters. Brick building, single story, red tile roof, about 50 meters long and 20 meters wide and 10 meters high.
- #24..... Concrete covered area about 30 by 20 meters.
- #25..... Three-story brick barracks, about 70 meters long and 40 meters wide. Red tile roof and covered with camouflage paint.
- #26..... Three-story brick barracks, 70 meters and 40 meters long, 10 meters wide. Red tile roof, covered with camouflage paint. Canteen located in basement.
- #27..... Circular concrete covered area, about 30 meters in diameter.
- #28..... Grass covered sports area, 90 by 40 meters.
- #29..... One-story, brick building, 30 meters long, 15 meters wide. Red tile roof, covered with camouflage paint. This building was an officer's Mess.
- #30..... Two-story, brick building, 50 meters long and 15 meters wide. Red tile roof, covered with camouflage paint. The counter-intelligence office was located here.
- #31..... Underground fuel storage installation.
- #32..... Unoccupied one-story, brick building, 5 by 5 meters. Red tile roof and covered with camouflage paint.
- #33..... Two-story, brick building, painted yellow, 40 meters by 30 meters. Gray slate roof. This building was used as sleeping quarters for instructors.
- #34..... Iron gate entrance to airfield, guarded by one soldier with sub-machine gun.
- #35..... Keeskemet-Bekesasaba highway constructed of concrete, 10 meters wide and in good condition.
- #36..... Three-story, brick building, constructed in 1950, 50 meters long and about 20 meters wide. This building was used as quarters for married officers.

6. The following points refer to sketch, Enclosure (B):

POINT

- #1..... The Keeskemet Air Field.
- #2..... The airfield's radio station located about 800 meters south of the airfield. The building was constructed of brick, 5 by 5 meters with slate roof. This station had three antennae.
- #3..... Canned food factory, constructed of brick, with two red brick smoke stacks 40 or 50 meters high.

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- #4..... Kecskemet-Bekescsaba highway.
- #5..... Dirt road.
- #6..... Dirt road leading to small village of about 40 houses.
- #7..... One-story, brick building, about 40 meters long and 30 meters wide. Red tile roof. This building was an Inn.

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ENCLOSURE (A): Kecskemet Airfield

ENCLOSURE (B): Kecskemet Airfield and surrounding area.

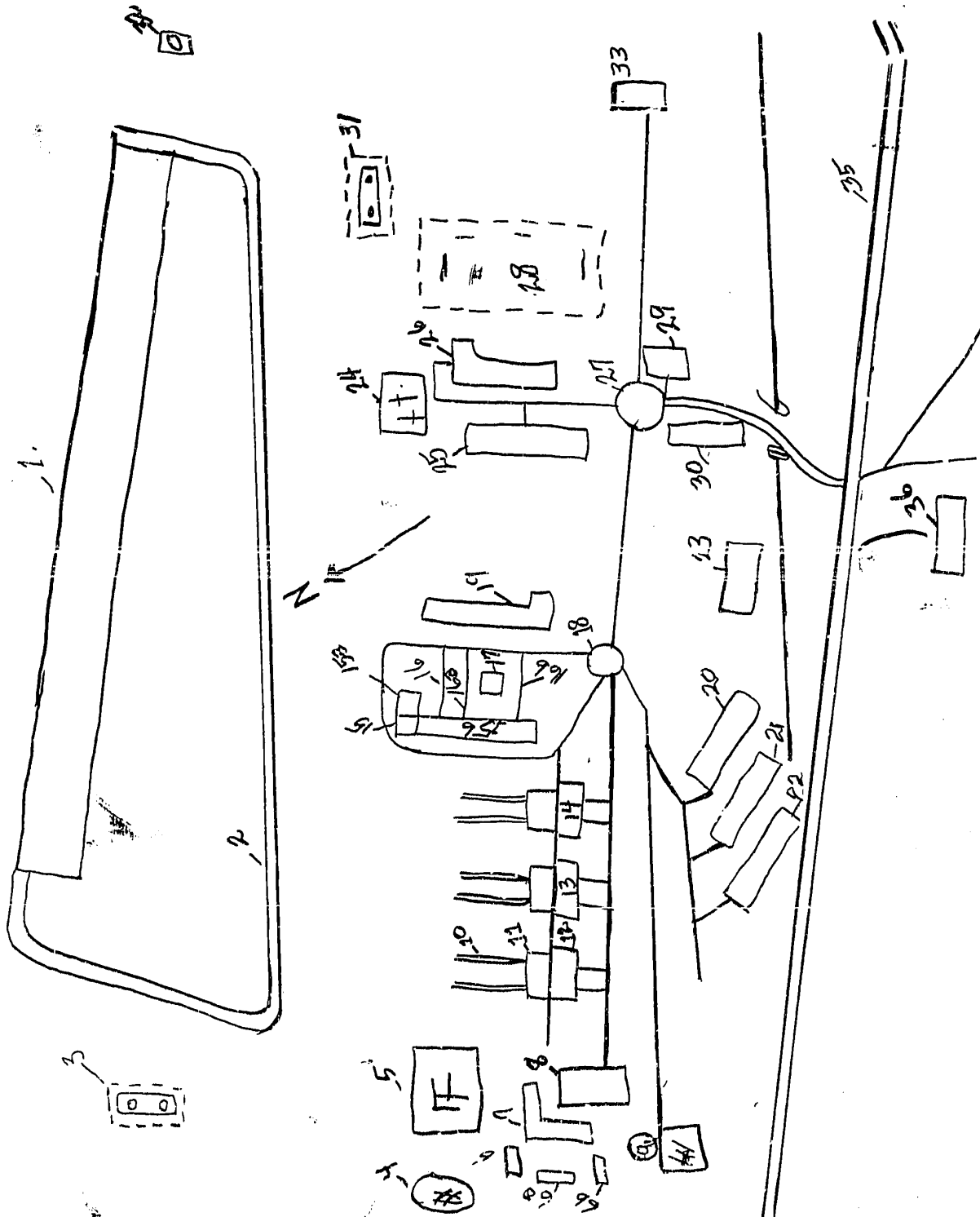
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ENCLOSURE (A)

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MEMORY SKETCH OF KECSKEMET AIRFIELD

(46°53'N - 19°41'E)



ENCLOSURE (B)

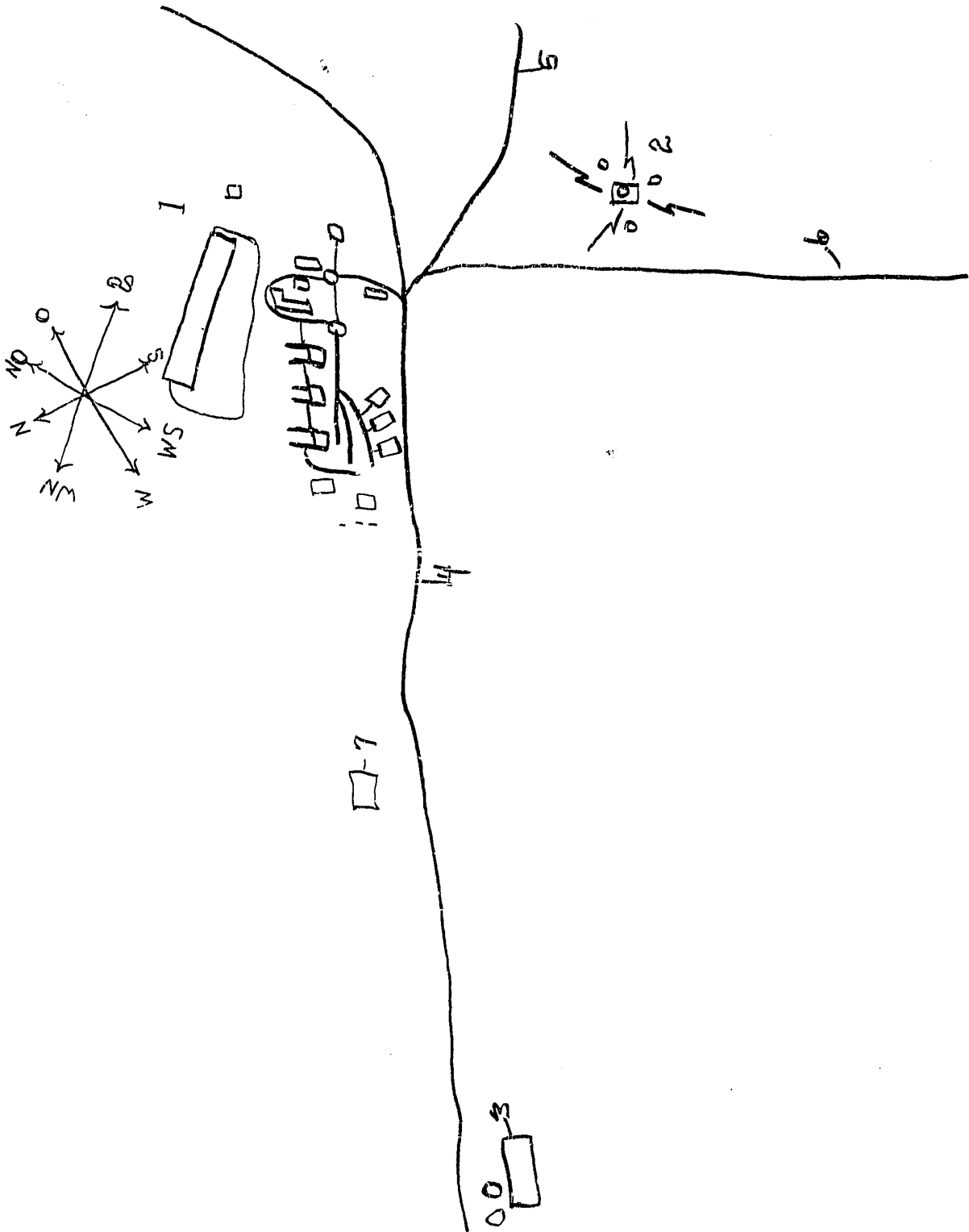
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MEMORY SKETCH OF KECSKEMET AIRFIELD
SURROUNDING AREA

(46°53'N ~ 19°41'E)

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